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A Most Elegant Line of Silk Handkerchiefs.

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An endless variety of Scarf Pins and Seperable Sleeve Buttons.

Full line of Overcoats at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$5.00, at

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BARGAINS FOR 20 DAYS.

Holiday Sales Red-Hot-Now is the Time to Buy

Every article in our stock, from top to bottom, for sale at reduced prices. We do not intend to carry over a single Dolman, Scarf, Ulster, Circular, Hood, Nubia, Scarf, Comfort, Wool or Kid Mitt; neither do we propose to carry over a large lot of Winter Dress Goods, Silks, Velvets, Plushes, Hosiery, Gloves, Notions, etc., etc.; and we will not carry over Blankets, Flannels, Jeans, Yarns, etc., etc.; and now we are shouting, the Millinery Stock must "get up and git!"—we don't want it—and shall make prices that will close it all out by Jan. 1st. Remember the place, 10 MERCHANT ST., for UNPRECEDENTED BARGAINS FOR TWENTY DAYS. Respectfully,

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Decorating, Graining, Glazing, Pressing and Puttying.

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Private funds to loan on farm lands

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A. O. BREWER'S

BAKERY.

No. 25 North Main St.

The Genuine Boston Brown Bread

which no other baker in town can furnish

of this bread is sold at 10 cents per loaf

An Affair of Business.

"I believe you said it was a matter of business which kept you out until past 1 o'clock last evening, Mr. Breezy," said Mrs. Breezy, passing her plate for another "small piece of steak."

"Yes, dear," said Mr. Breezy, helping his wife liberally.

"You were talking the affair over I believe, and did not notice the time," said Mrs. Breezy. "You were so deep in figures and calculations that it was past 12 o'clock before you really imagined it was getting late. When you did look at the clock by chance you insisted upon leaving for home at once, didn't you Mr. Breezy?"

"Couldn't have described my actions better if you had been on the spot, my dear," said Mr. Breezy, laughing a little nervously.

"There was so much to attend to," continued Mrs. Breezy, "that you could not blame your friend for wishing you to remain a few hours longer, and you were really sorry to leave him to finish up the matter alone, but you thought of me, and that decided you to start for home without delay. You left your friend with a wet towel around his head, studying long columns of figures, and it made you feel almost guilty not to be able to remain longer and help him out. You hesitated on reaching the door, and was on the point of turning back as you looked into the tired eyes of your friend as he gazed despairingly after you, but duty to your wife decided you and you hurried home."

"Yes, dear," said Mr. Breezy, with an unexplained confusion of manner.

"You knew that I might possibly be awake and worried about you, and no matter if thousands were at stake, my feelings were first to be consulted," said Mrs. Breezy. "You would not let the business of the entire world stand in the way of your wife's happiness, would you, Mr. Breezy? Rather than I should be distressed in mind for a moment, Mr. Breezy, you would throw away an offer of the presidency. I am always first in your thoughts and dreams, am I not, Mr. Breezy?"

"Always, dear," said Mr. Breezy, growing still more confused, and glancing toward his hat on a side table.

"You never see beauty in other women, Mr. Breezy? I am your ideal, am I not, Mr. Breezy?" asked Mrs. Breezy, looking hard at her husband.

"To be sure, dear," said Mr. Breezy, his manner displaying more and more embarrassment.

"I believe you profess to be one of the most candid of men, Mr. Breezy. You never would deceive any one, and above all you would never deceive me, would you, Mr. Breezy?" said Mrs. Breezy.

"Certainly not, my love," said Mr. Breezy, attempting a smile, but making a dead failure of it, an expression of deep anxiety settling on his features.

"If that is the case, Mr. Breezy, perhaps you will explain where you picked those things up last evening," said Mrs. Breezy, slapping a lady's glove, a fan and a theatre programme on the table, but Mr. Breezy waived further examination and adjourned in due time.

She took it from the charge. Out at Storer's drug store and got a simple bottle of Brown's Expellorant free of charge. It cures coughs, hoarseness, whooping cough, and consumption in its early stages.

It is a scientific preparation, scientifically adjusted to the cure of a throat and lung disease. It is pleasant to take and entirely harmless.

Try it. It costs you nothing. Get your bottles 50 cents and \$1.00. For sale by Dr. A. J. Stoner, 715 Broadway.

925 50 to New Orleans and Return.

The official announcement is made that the famous Central Company will run a special excursion train over their road from Decatur to New Orleans points in Florida, San Antonio, Austin and Southwestern Texas, on Thursday Jan. 12th, 1882. Attached to the train will be sleeping car for the accommodation of Decatur and Mason county people. The train will leave Decatur on Jan. 12th at 5 o'clock in the evening. Fare for the round trip to New Orleans \$25.00, to Jacksonville, Florida, and return \$45.00. For further information call on the Decatur agent at the Union Central office. Die 15-dw4

The New Firm. Mrs. K. L. Weston wishes to inform her many customers and friends that because having the finest stock of millinery in the city she has added a full line of emporiums, German town yards, silk dress, embroidery, canvas, and card boards in all colors, especially for the holidays. Please call at No. 28 East Main street and examine these goods. We shall offer bargains for the next 30 days. Valt

A complete antidote to all malarial poisons are Carter's Liver Bitters, yet free from quinine and everything injurious. Try them. For sale by Hubbard & Swearingen.

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Boss Cassimere Overcoat at \$18!

The English Diagonal, \$27,

The English Basket, \$28,

The French Melton,

Lined with fine Silk Serge and Satin, at \$35.

And many other Styles suitable for first-class trade, at

B. STINE'S,

The "Boss" Clothier.

A cordial invitation extended to all wearers of

FINE CUSTOM MADE CLOTHING

and EXTRA FINE OVERCOATS.

Goods and Fit Equally as Good as any Merchant Tailoring, and Prices 25 Per Cent Lower. Don't get any Clothing made until you see our

STOCK of FINE SUITS

and FINE OVERCOATS,

And compare Prices, Fit, Quality of Material, and the Excellent Workmanship.

B. STINE, the "Boss" Clothier.

Freeman Bros.,

BOOTS & SHOES!

No. 4 Merchant Street.

EAST SIDE OLD SQUARE

Invite the Public to see their Stock of Goods before they leave.

Satisfaction Guaranteed or Money Refunded

DRY GOODS, HOSIERY, CLOAKS, DOLMANS, &c.

GREAT Mark Down Sale!

Hosiery, Gloves, Shirts, Underwear, Laces, Ribbons, Towels, Napkins, Table Linens, Cloaks, Dolmans, Blankets, Bed Comforts, Quilts, Shawls, Children's Cloaks, Knit and Crochet Goods, Corsets, Ladies' Neckwear,

CASHMERES DRESS GOODS Velvets, Silks, Satins, Etc., Etc.

To Reduce Stock! TREMENDOUS REDUCTIONS!

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CHEAP STORE. BIG 18.

"CHEAP CHARLEY'S" CORNER.



A Grand Reward!

Is the General Acknowledgment

IS WELL, STYLISH, AND DURABLY MADE,

FALL AND WINTER OVERCOATS

ULSTERS AND ULSTERETTES,

SUITS FOR MAN, YOUTH, BOY OR CHILD,

IS GRAND AND ELEGANT.

HATS, CAPS, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,

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KAUFMANN & BACHRACH

Manufacturers of

MENS AND BOYS' Clothing!

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Accessories for Men's Wear.

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Factory—Chicago, Illinois

Decatur, Ill.

We have Just Received

THE LARGEST STOCK OF

BREECH AND MUZZLE-LOADING

SHOT-GUNS

AND

REVOLVERS

Bought for CASH,

AT WHOLESALE PRICES

Warrant Every Thing as Represented

EXAMINE OUR STOCK AND

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101 East Main & Water Sts.

DECATUR.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

WILLIAM CAMPBELL, Decatur

has for sale:

1. A large, well built Business Lot next to

the Christian church

2. A lot of 20 acres, next east of

the B. & O. R. R. station

3. A lot of 10 acres, next east of

the B. & O. R. R. station

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Look a "Leedle Around" Before you Buy a \$3.00 Caster. E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & CO.

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E-THIRD LESS
Corset for \$1.00
Corset reduced

Let the children see "Uncle Tom" to-night.
The first fatality at the Decatur coal shaft occurred last night.
A "London fog" enveloped Decatur this morning.
CALL for Schroeder's celebrated Bohemian cigars—only a nickel each.
The second party under the auspices of the Married Ladies' Club, will be given to-night at the St. Nicholas Hotel.
Go with the crowds to L. L. Ferriss & Co.'s for boots and shoes.
The Leonard Assembly Thursday evening will be something extra.

...tinue three days. Among the distinguished persons taking part are Governor Cullom, Hon. Newton Bateman, Rev. Jos. Cummings, Rev. Richard Edwards, Hon. B. F. Taylor and Hon. James P. Slade. Railroads furnish transportation at one-third rates.
The grand Christmas ball given by the members of Neptune Hose Co. No. 3, in the armory of the Decatur Guards last night, was largely attended and proved to be a social and financial success. Music for the occasion was furnished by Prof. Goodman's orchestra. Supper for the merry party was provided by Wood B. Co.
...nister with a charge at Iowa City, Iowa. Rev. Burnett is the gentleman who failed to deliver his promised lecture in this city, because as he said some unauthorized party with a "grip" in his hand, had left word for Mr. Priest that Burnett had postponed the delivery of his address indefinitely. A spirited discussion is promised at Lincoln, and no doubt several residents of Decatur will be there to take notes and hear the jawing match.

THE "WILLIS GRAPE."
A New Delaware Seedling Originated by W. W. Jones, of Camargo.

persons being compelled to stand up during the exercises. The gas was turned down low until the large and tall Christ was tree, which was heavily bung with bags of candy, oranges, toys and other gifts, was lit up by small wax candles placed upon the branches of the tree. Then Rev. Truablood, pastor of the charge, who was master of ceremonies, announced the first song, "The Babe of Bethlehem," which was sung spiritedly by the choir, with Miss Annie Kramer at the organ. The divine blessing was invoked by Rev. S. P. Hoy, and after another song Elder Field made a short talk to the children. The congregation joined the choir in singing an appropriate selection, when

LINN & SCRUGGS
Are offering Extraordinary Bargains in Black and Colored Silks, of the most Celebrated Makes, Black and Colored Plushes and Velvets, Black and Colored Satins, Black and Colored Cashmeres, Rhadames, Satin Marveilleux, Satin de Lyon, Staple and Fancy Dress Goods.

LOCKS!
WARE,
in Decatur. Our
E. and embraces
in this city.
THE LOWEST

Cour will commence grinding again next Tuesday at about 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

"WARR, Oh Where are the Hebrew Children?" Gone for a bottle of Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup, the great cough killer. Price only twenty-five and fifty cents. Ask your druggists for it. 21

"THE DRESSER," the nobbiest and latest style hat, to be had only at nov. 4-d&wtf. B. STINE'S

500 FINE decorated and fine Bronze Parlor Lamps, to be sold during the holidays at great bargains, at Decatur Lamp

wares in a paper that nearly everybody reads.

AND now those who love to watch the chalk marks are happy. The "board of trade" has resumed business after a three days' holiday, and the industrious telegraph instrument has commenced clicking again.

The Stupp's Chapel sociable, announced to be held on Monday evening next, has been postponed. Due notice of the time and place of holding the sociable will be given hereafter.

ALL gentlemen who intend to pay their

The full name of the deceased is John Murphy. He was a bachelor and had charge of a section on the P., D. & E. Road near Dalton or Ilwaco City. He is said to have possessed some property. Coroner Dinneen will make an investigation as to the amount of his effects.

A Dramatic Treat.

Such we can safely assure our readers will be the great tragedy, "Macbeth," which will be presented at the opera house in this city to-morrow evening by Mr. Frank Mayo's large and powerful combination—a troupe of artists which numbers 40 people. The sale of seats,

the very best growers went through the winter of 1893-94 standing on their stakes in the vineyard and others with no protection whatever, and the Concord did not yield over half a crop, while the WILLIS had a full crop. September 5th, 1891, I cut 32 pounds of grapes from one vine, 5 years old since planted in the vineyard.

In 1879 the publishers of the Revue-nica received five bunches of the Willis grape, and they were just as represented, and the vines on which they grew have flourished splendidly ever since. We can heartily recommend them to our people, and if you want good grape vines, those that will bear fruit beautifully, give your orders to Mr. Evans or Mr. Jones. The latter gentleman will be in Decatur next

audience had gifts hung on the tree by friends and these surprise presents were delivered to the persons whose names appeared on cards attached to the articles. Everybody in the room appeared happy, and it was difficult to keep the children from talking too loud. The exercises closed with singing and the benediction by the pastor. The occasion was one of great enjoyment to the young and old of this large and growing congregation, and the ties of friendship were knitted more closely together.

AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

The Christmas tree treat at this church last evening was the most successful yet.

GLOVES, HOSIERY,
An Elegant Assortment of
CORSETS!
Table Linens, Napkins and Towels.
A Large Lot of WALL-PAPER, in the Newest Styles; and the Handsomest Assortment of CARPETS ever shown in this market.

Orders by mail will receive prompt and careful attention, with prices guaranteed.

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Decatur Coal!

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Best Grades of APP COAL

The action of Carter's Little Liver King is pleasing, mild and natural. They gently stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels, but do not purge. They are sure to please. For sale by Hubbard & Swearingen.

Holman Goods, at Fleury, the French cutter's. The finest lot of silk mufflers, silk suspenders, etc., to be had in the city. 2nd & 4th

Thompson's patent unbreakable glove-fitting Corsets, at the CHEAPEST STORE. Big 18. 22-24 & 26

Our goods will recommend themselves—Cheap Clothing, the Reliable Clothier. 14 & 16

Superintendent—E. W. Anderson.
Asst.—E. A. Gustman.
Treasurer—Miss Mary M. Edwards.
Secretary—L. N. Martin, Jr.
Organist—Miss Jennie Kaniolph.
Chorister—H. A. Wood.
Librarian—Albert Miller.
Asst.—Matt Smith.

EARLY CLOSING NOTICE.
DECATUR, Ill., Dec. 26, 1881.
We, the undersigned merchants, agree to close our respective places of business at 6:30 p.m., Saturdays excepted, commencing January 3, and ending March 31, 1882.

Roach & McElroy-olds, S. G. Hatch & Bros.,
Linn & Sermons, N. Gagerman,
F. L. Hayes & Co., Abel & Locke,
H. C. Gustman, H. C. Gustman,
S. M. Morris & Co., Emma Williams,
Annie Miller, R. C. Hunscher.

door, which separates the audience room from the infant class department, was shoved upward, when the big Christmas tree, nicely illuminated, was revealed to the gaze of the children, each of whom received a handsome present from heavily laden boughs. The exercises of the evening were very interesting, and Rev. Maynard's impromptu talk to the children provoked much merriment.

THE GERMAN CHURCH.

The children of the German Methodist Sabbath School had their Christmas tree treat last evening, and all went home early with various gifts.

Decatur's Largest ONE-PRICE CLOTHING ESTABLISHMENT!

lovers of the legitimate are coming out in stronger force, for the house was better filled than on any evening last week. The play selected was Macbeth, with Mr. Mayo in the title role. In this play, as in Hamlet, Mr. Mayo's acting develops the fact that he is a close and a critical student of Shakespeare, and that he has carefully studied the renditions of the various roles of Shakespeare's plays by the greatest living actors. He more properly belongs to the eclectic school, for his acting, though showing great discrimination, exhibits very few innovations.

General admission, 50 and 75 cents; reserved seats, \$1.00

"ONE TALE IS GOOD UNTIL ANOTHER"

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Cabinet Picture Frames—
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A large lot of Unbleached Flannel Drawers
 from 25 to 45 cents.
 Good All-Wool Yarn 70 cents per pound.
 1,000 yards 44 Pacific Cretonnes at 35¢.
 Hand-Stitched and Printed Towels, All Lin-
 en Handkerchiefs, at 10 to 15 cents.
 All of which will be found very cheap.

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We have an elegant line of Box Pa-
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The handsomest line of clusters and
 ornaments for parlors and halls, at Fleury,
 the French Cutter's corner of old square
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ed for upward of nearly seven hundred
 nights. There is not a poor artist with
 the company, and every movement upon
 the stage brings tears at one time and
 laughter at another. Miss Minnie Foster
 is without doubt the greatest Topsy liv-
 ing. Her impersonation of "the child that
 never was born," is truly wonderful. Her
 songs and dances are received with great
 applause, but when the little actress
 treats the audience to one of her selec-
 tions on the banjo, she is then received
 by a perfect ovation. C. H. Clarke takes
 the part of "Gumption Cuke" most ac-
 ceptably. Little Lottie Burke as Little
 d&w.

In competing for the trade of this section,
 and for the many customers who make it a
 business to agitate this subject, will please
 state *how* customers pay this great difference
 in expense. Very respectfully,
DEAN & WITT LINN & SCRIGGS.

Reduction.

A few handsome toilet sets, fancy mir-
 rors, etc., suitable for New Year gifts
 reduced to about 1 price, also desirable
 bargains in fancy handkerchiefs, at the
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morning presented the popular proprietor,
 Mr. W. N. Zimmerman, with a hand-
 some surprise Christmas gift, in the shape of a
 beautiful and costly meerschaum cigar
 holder, and now "Wils" is as happy as a
 boy with a new pair of red top boots.

Henry Luna was the excellent leader
 at the Y. M. C. A. meeting on Sunday
 afternoon; Will Glover presided as or-
 ganist. The subject, "No room for Christ
 at the inn," was made very interesting by
 several speakers.

C. B. Smith, of Las Vegas, N. M., United
 States Deputy Collector for the coun-
 ties of San Miguel, More, Colima, Lincoln

DECATUR MARKETS.

DECATUR, ILL., Dec. 27, 1891.

Following are ruling retail prices:

Best white hard flour, per 100	\$4.50
White " " " "	4.40
White loaf " " "	4.75
Potatoes, per bushel	1.40
Butter, per pound	.25
Eggs, per dozen	.50
Turnips, per bushel	1.00
Cabbages, per head	15 to 25
Sugar, per pound	9 to 12 1/2
Coffee, " "	10 to 35
Tea, " "	4 to 10 1/2
Lard, " "	.35
Bacon, sides, per pound	.15
Bacon, breakfast " "	.10
Hams, per pound	11 to 15
Dried beef, per pound	15 to 25
Apples, per bushel	1.50
Onions, " "	1.50

2nd.—About the winding stairway leading to our up-stairs Merchant
 Tailoring Department; because we see nothing on it to blow about.

3rd.—About our increasing business; because we take it as a natural
 consequence of our endeavors to please our patrons.

4th.—About our Large Stock; because comparison will tell who is
 bragging.

5th.—About the quality of our stock; because the eating of the pud-
 dling is the proof.

6th.—About the low selling price on all goods; because our low prices
 have earned us the name, "LEADER OF POPULAR PRICES."

7th.—About our guaranteeing every article we sell; because that is a
 rule of our store, made known in our first advertisement.

FLEURY, THE FRENCH CUTTER.

CORNER OF OLD SQUARE,
DECATUR, NOV. 21, 1881.—d&w if

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